Schedule of Events for USCGA Class of 2000 Commencement Week

Saturday, 13 May 2000

Practice Review – 8:00 A.M.

This practice review takes place on the Washington Parade Field and anyone who wishes to attend is welcome to do so. A sweater or light jacket and comfortable shoes are recommended.

<u>Protestant Church Service – 6:30 P.M.</u>

Service will be held in Memorial Chapel

Sunday, 14 May 2000

Catholic Mass – 9:00 A.M.

Mass will be held in the Memorial Chapel. Coffee will be served in the Chapel after services.

Baccalaureate – 11:00 A.M.

The Ecumenical Baccalaureate Service will be held in the Memorial Chapel for all graduates and their guests. This service is held to say farewell and Godspeed to the graduates.

Evening Parade – 7:30 P.M.

The most impressive parade of the year, this review includes a formal flag ceremony and the Cadet Corps in Full Dress. If you want to see the Regiment at its finest, don't miss this review! Because it is sometimes cool, a sweater or light coat is appropriate, so are comfortable shoes.

Monday, 15 May 2000

* Golf Tournament – 7:00 A.M.

Held at the Pequot Golf Course and includes breakfast. There will be more details on cost when you receive the reservation form. *Advance reservations are required*.

Future Spouses' Welcome Aboard Coffee – 10:00 A.M.

Sponsored by the Coast Guard Officers' Spouses' Association of Southeastern Connecticut and hosted by Mrs. Teeson at Quarters One. Spring suit or summer dress is appropriate for this fun and informative chat with officers' spouses. All spouses-to-be (cadet and civilian) from the Class of 2000 are invited and are encouraged to attend.

*Gradfest - 12:00 P.M. (Food line concludes at 2:30 P.M./ other activities at 4:00 P.M.)

Held on Nitchman Memorial Field, it should be a great afternoon, for old and young alike. Picnic lunch with music, fun and games, and plenty of relaxation in an otherwise hectic week. Very casual attire is suggested along with a sweater or jacket and comfortable shoes (sneakers would be a good choice) and don't forget the sunblock!! *Be sure your tickets are purchased in advance*. Rain location TBA.

<u>Athletic Awards Reception – 5:30 P.M.</u>

Cash bar will be available for parents and friends. The Athletic Department will host the cadet award recipients for their beverages. No advance reservation needed. Attire for the event for cadets is Tropical Blue Long and is casual for civilians.

<u>Musical Evening – 8:00 P.M.</u>

Cadets involved in Glee Club, Idlers, Ice Breakers, and NiteCaps will be performing a variety of musical selections for your enjoyment in Leamy Hall Auditorium. There is no charge for this event. Although the dress is casual (shirts w/collars and no jeans), a coat and tie is also appropriate.

Tuesday, 16 May 2000

Review of the Corps of Cadets – 9:30 A.M.

This Review honors the donors of awards for individual excellence that will be presented later this morning. Featured at this drill will be the presentation of the awards for the best-drilled company and platoon. Everyone is invited. Be sure to wear warm and comfortable clothing.

Awards Ceremony – 11:00 A.M.

The Awards Ceremony is held in Leamy Hall Auditorium. It will honor individual cadets that have excelled in different aspects of Academy life.

* Buffet Lunch - 12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. / Open House 1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

A buffet luncheon is provided in Chase Hall Wardroom for Cadets, their dates, and guests

Superintendent's Reception for Class of 2000 – 2:00 P.M.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Teeson wish to meet and congratulate both cadets and parents for a job well done and extend their best wishes for the year ahead. Captain Brooks, the Commandant of Cadets and his wife; Mrs. Bowen, the Director of Social Development; and Lieutenant Eric Kowack, Class of '00 Advisor will also be present to greet cadets, parents, and guests. The Class of '00 will be received at 2:00 P.M. in Crown Park. In case of inclement weather (rain), this event will be held indoors. Informal daytime attire is appropriate, i.e. dress or suit for ladies and coat/tie for men. (Mandatory for cadets, guests are invited)

*Commencement Dinner and Ball - 7:00 P.M.

This is the last formal event of the year. It is held for all First Class cadets and their guests. The dinner will be held in the Cadet Wardroom at approximately 7:00 P.M. <u>Tickets must be purchased in advance for the dinner</u>. The Ball is held in Leamy Hall at 9:00 P.M. (No charge for the ball!) Parents may double date with their sons and daughters and may wear either formal attire (tuxedos for gentlemen and evening gowns for ladies) or you may wear your "dressy best." In other words if you own formal wear, it is appropriate to wear it; however, we do not wish to place a financial burden on anyone. Please be assured that you will not be alone if you arrive in a suit/cocktail dress. Like the cadets, parents who are in the military may also wear Dinner Dress White Jacket or its equivalent. The ladies and gentlemen being escorted by cadets are expected to come in formal attire, evening gowns / tuxedos.) This is a lovely affair and is well attended by parents, aunts, uncles, and grandparents as well as siblings and friends. It is a most enjoyable evening and we urge you all to attend.

Wednesday, 17 May 2000

Commencement Review of the Cadet Regiment - 9:30 A.M.

This is the final Review of the year, and it is the last time your cadet will march with the Corps of Cadets. If you plan to attend, come early as seating is at a premium.

11:00 A.M. Commencement Exercises

Graduation at last! Commencement begins at 11:00 A.M. In case of rain, graduation will move indoors to Leamy Auditorium. Due to space limitations, only persons with tickets marked, "For Leamy Hall in Case of Rain" will be admitted to the Auditorium. Each graduate will receive <u>four indoor</u> tickets. For those relatives and friends who will not have seats in the Auditorium, TV monitors will be set up elsewhere on campus at places to be determined. *PLEASE NOTE: If you have indoor tickets and do not plan to use all of them*.